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College Goal Sunday Presentation Available Online

College Goal Sunday was broadcast via ITV (Interactive Television) to several sites in Maine. The presentation was broadcast with the help of the University of Maine at Augusta. UMA was able to record the presentation, and it is now on the College Goal Sunday web site.

Students and families can view the presentation at their convenience at www.collegegoalsundaymaine.com.

The FAME Educator

For Counselors & Advisors



Dear Counselors,

Greetings!

It's hard to believe that we are already in the month of February. I hope you are all enjoying your winter, but I am ready for spring!

Thank you to everyone who participated in and helped to promote College Goal Sunday 2009! This year, we had the highest number of attendees in the history of the event.

If you have any questions about the topics in this newsletter or need assistance from FAME, please feel free to contact me by e-mail at adostie@famemaine.com or by phone at 1-800-228-3734.

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Maine College Access Network

A new Web site (Maine CAN!) has been created for individuals and organizations who help promote postsecondary education options to Maine students. This site has been created as a way for all of us to share ideas and information and ask questions.

Maine is fortunate to have so many programs available to its students. However, it is often difficult to know about all of the options available. By working together and sharing information, I hope that we can all better serve Maine students.

Go to <http://mainecan.ning.com> and check it out.

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College Goal Sunday Summary

We are pleased to announce that over 1160 people, representing 670 families, attended the 2009 College Goal Sunday program. In 2008, 579 families attended. The number of families from each high school that attended a site follows:

Ashland Community High School	4	Marshwood High School	4
Bangor Christian School	6	Massabesic High School	3
Bangor High School	1	Mattawancook Academy	3
Belfast Area High School	14	Medomak Valley High School	1
Biddeford High School	1	Messalonskee High School	8
Bonny Eagle High School	9	Monmouth Academy	1
Boothbay Region High School	1	Morse High School	14
Brewer High School	3	Mountain Valley High School	31
Bucksport High School	3	Mt. Abram Regional High School	1
Calais High School	13	Mt. Ararat High School	2
Camden Hills Regional High School	8	Mt. Blue High School	5
Cape Elizabeth High School	7	Mt. Desert Island High School	8
Caribou High School	2	Mt. View High School	4
Carrabec High School	15	Narraguagus High School	1
Casco Bay High School	1	Noble High School	7
Catherine McAuley High School	1	Nokomis Regional High School	3
Cheverus High School	9	North Yarmouth Academy	1
Cony High School	8	Oak Hill High School	4
Deering High School	2	Old Orchard Beach High School	3
Dexter Regional High School	2	Old Town High School	3
Dirigo High School	4	Orono High School	3
Edward Little High School	3	Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School	13
Ellsworth High School	17	Penquis Valley High School	1
Erskine Academy	17	Poland Regional High School	3
Falmouth High School	11	Portland High School	4
Fort Fairfield High School	4	Presque Isle High School	8
Fort Kent Community High School	9	Rangeley Lakes Regional School	3
Foxcroft Academy	8	Rockland District High School	4
George Stevens Academy	3	Sanford High School	13
Georges Valley High School	1	Scarborough High School	7
Gorham High School	9	Searsport District High School	3
Gray-New Gloucester High School	4	Shead High School	2
Hall-Dale High School	2	Skowhegan Area High School	4
Hampden Academy	2	South Portland High School	3
Hebron Academy	3	Southern Aroostook CSD School	2
Hodgdon High School	10	St. Dominic's Regional High School	1
Houlton High School	10	Sumner Memorial High School	3
Islesboro Central School	1	Telstar High School	4
Jay High School	1	Thornton Academy	66
John Bapst Memorial High School	1	Upper Kennebec Valley Jr/Sr High School	10
Jonesport-Beals High School	2	Van Buren District Secondary School	2
Kennebunk High School	5	Vinalhaven High School	20
Lake Region High School	1	Washington Academy	4
Lawrence High School	3	Waynflete School	1
Leavitt High School	1	Wells High School	9
Lewiston High School	4	Westbrook High School	5
Lincoln Academy	3	Windham High School	4
Lisbon High School	2	Winslow High School	1
Lubec High School	1	Winthrop High School	8
Machias Memorial High School	4	Wiscasset High School	13
Maine Central Institute	1	Woodland Jr-Sr High School	6
Maranacook Community School	3	Yarmouth High School	3

College Goal Sunday Scholarships Awarded

Students attending a CGS site completed an entry card for a chance to be drawn to win a \$500 scholarship from FAME. Scholarships were awarded to the students listed below:

Student	Town	Student	Town	Student	Town
Ashlee D.	Barnard Twp.	Courtnee R.	Solon	Joel G.	Arundel
Ashley H.	Lewiston	Dale W.	Camden	Lori A.	Whitefield
BreAnna B.	Beals	Dylan A.	Fort Kent	Meredith A.	Farmington
Casey H.	Searsport	Hayley W.	Rangeley	Morgan L.	Houlton
Casondra G.	Oxford	Jennifer S.	Bangor	Sanford P.	Fryeburg
Christopher T.	Brunswick	Jenny P.	Brooksville	Tracy S.	Castle Hill
Corey J.	Calais	Jessica C.	Sanford		

FAFSA Applications

FAME has a small supply of the FAFSA on the Web Worksheets and paper FAFSA applications. If you would like some copies for your students, please let us know. You can call FAME at 1-800-228-3734, or e-mail me directly at adostie@famemaine.com.

FAME Education Applications

Applications for Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship, Educators for Maine Forgivable Loan Program and the Tuition Waiver Program will be available March 1 on the FAME Web site. Go to www.famemaine.com/education and choose the "Forms & Applications" link.

College.Gov

College.gov was created by the U.S. Department of Education in collaboration with students. This site is intended to be a source for information about planning, preparing and paying for postsecondary education.

There is a section for parents and family members as well as a section for teachers and counselors.

Beware of fafsa.com

In the past two weeks, several parents have called FAME and asked about the site www.fafsa.com, which charges a fee for help with FAFSA completion. In all instances, the parents entered their personal information on the site and did not realize they were using the wrong FAFSA site until they were asked to pay a fee.

Please remind your students and families to go to www.fafsa.ed.gov - which is the ONLY official FAFSA completion site.